Kilgore Memorial Library Director's Report Prepared for the May 16, 2019 York City Council meeting

- 1. The Elmer Baker display case is filled with a collection of book folding art from Kerri Naber. The Kent Bedient Gallery is filled with student artwork from St Joseph's Catholic School.
- 2. StoryWalk 2019 books are selected and being prepared to be delivered on the trail each month through the year. The May/June book is Duck/Rabbit by Amy Rosenthal.
- 3. Story times for preschoolers ended its spring term in April with a steady attendance around 30 children and their caregivers. This continues to be the most popular event we host. Night time story time on Tuesday evenings has not grown to the attendance levels we had hoped for. We will be re-evaluating this activity before fall to determine if it needs more time to grow or if it needs a new time slot. We averaged six children plus eight to ten adults on Tuesday evenings. Toddler Dance and Fun Time continues to grow with more than 20 children and their caregivers participating each time.
- 4. Our new Next Chapter Book Club is very popular with the eight participants and their care givers. We started the club on April 2nd and each Tuesday at 1:00 we come together and read a story out loud.
- 5. The special education classes from the York Public Schools continue to come to this library. We look forward to continuing this partnership with these classes.
- 6. Library staff member James Tidei has finished another continuing education course for his library certification certificate. The class he finished was for Reader's Advisory.
- 7. Rachel Mayfield and Deb Robertson met with four sixth grade classes to introduce the many types of materials available from the library. We hosted a "Book Tasting" event where the students evaluated different library items to determine if it would be an item they would check out from the library. The tables were set with blue and gold table coverings and cookies were provided to enjoy while doing the evaluation work.
- 8. Carol Baker is hosting kindergarten classes from all the elementary schools in York for a field trip to the Library. A story is read and a tour of the library including our backroom is given. Carol is also going to each schools to share our summer reading activities with the remaining grades at each school.
- Carol Backer is also continuing our partnership with the After School program at YES. She is
 partnered with a member of the staff to provide a Lego Reading Club. Carol meets with her
 students every Wednesday afternoon from 4:00 to 5:00 pm.

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